

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-7 (cancelled).

8 (original). A method of converting a web site from client-based storage of information to central storage of information comprising the acts of:

selecting a group of users of the web site based on an identifier associated with each user;

copying data from each of the selected user's client computing devices to a central storage location; and

providing a web page to each of the selected group of users based on the copied data stored in said central storage location.

9 (original). The method of claim 8, wherein the act of selecting a group of users comprises:

computing a hash of each user's associated identifier; and

determining, for each user, whether the hash value meets predetermined criteria.

10 (original). The method of claim 9, wherein the act of determining whether a hash value meets predetermined criteria comprises comparing the hash value to a preset value.

11 (original). The method of claim 10, wherein the act of comparing the hash value to a preset value comprises determining whether the hash value is less than the preset value.

12 (original). The method of claim 8, further comprising the act of:

setting an indication for each user for whom data has been copied to the central storage location.

13 (original). The method of claim 12, further comprising the act of:
maintaining, for one of the selected users, a mirror copy of that user's centrally-stored data at the user's client computing device.

14 (currently amended). The method of claim 8, further comprising the acts of:
deselecting one of the selected users;
providing a web page to the ~~selected~~ de-selected user without using the copy of the user's data stored at the central storage location.

15-25 (cancelled).

26 (original). A system for providing a web site comprising:
a first computing device which provides a web page to a plurality of second computing devices, each of said second computing devices being communicatively connected to said first computing device, said first computing device providing a customized version of said web page to each of said second computing devices based on customization information associated with each of said second computing devices, each of said second computing devices storing its respective customization information;
a data store which stores corresponding customization information for at least some of said second computing devices;
a throttle module which selects certain ones of said second computing devices for storage of their respective customization information in said data store; and
a migration module which copies the customization information from the selected ones of said second computing devices to said data store.

27 (original). The system of claim 26, further comprising:
a customization module which customizes the web page for each of the second computing devices, wherein the customization is based on information stored in the data store for

the selected ones of the second computing devices, and wherein the customization is based on information stored at the respective second computing devices for the non-selected ones of the second computing devices.

28 (original). The system of claim 26, wherein each of said second computing devices is associated with an identifier, and wherein said system further comprises:

a hashing module which hashes the identifier for each of said second computing devices,

wherein said throttle module receives a value from said hashing module and selects certain ones of said second computing devices based on the received value.

29 (original). The system of claim 26, wherein each of said second computing devices is associated with an identifier, and wherein said system further comprises:

a throttle value storage location;

wherein said throttle module selects certain ones of said second computing devices based on the value stored at the throttle value storage location and further based on the identifiers associated with the respective second computing devices.

30 (original). The system of claim 26, wherein said throttle module selects said certain ones of said second computing devices in a predetermined proportion to the total number of second computing devices.

31-32 (cancelled).

33 (new). A computer-readable medium encoded with computer-executable instructions to perform a method of converting a web site from client-based storage of information to central storage of information, the method comprising:

selecting a group of users of the web site based on an identifier associated with

each user;

copying data from each of the selected user's client computing devices to a central storage location; and

providing a web page to each of the selected group of users based on the copied data stored in said central storage location.

34 (new). The computer-readable medium of claim 33, wherein the act of selecting a group of users comprises:

computing a hash of each user's associated identifier; and

determining, for each user, whether the hash value meets predetermined criteria.

35 (new). The computer-readable medium of claim 34, wherein the act of determining whether a hash value meets predetermined criteria comprises comparing the hash value to a preset value.

36 (new). The computer-readable medium of claim 35, wherein the act of comparing the hash value to a preset value comprises determining whether the hash value is less than the preset value.

37 (new). The computer-readable medium of claim 33, wherein the method further comprises:

setting an indication for each user for whom data has been copied to the central storage location.

38 (new). The computer-readable medium of claim 37, wherein the method further comprises:

maintaining, for one of the selected users, a mirror copy of that user's centrally-stored data at the user's client computing device.

39 (new). The computer-readable medium of claim 33, wherein the method further comprises:

 deselecting one of the selected users;

 providing a web page to the de-selected user without using the copy of the user's data stored at the central storage location.

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Amendments to the Drawings

The attached sheet(s) of drawings includes changes to Fig(s) 8. The sheet(s), which includes Fig(s) 8, replaces the original sheet(s) including Fig(s) 8.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet(s)